

Types and Origins of Beings

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There are several body types of organized human beings, which can be classified into the states shown in Figure 1. Each of these states will be discussed in turn. The parents of the different types of bodies or origin of the bodily state are shown in Figure 2. Finally, the states are shown in their proper order of progression in Figure 3.

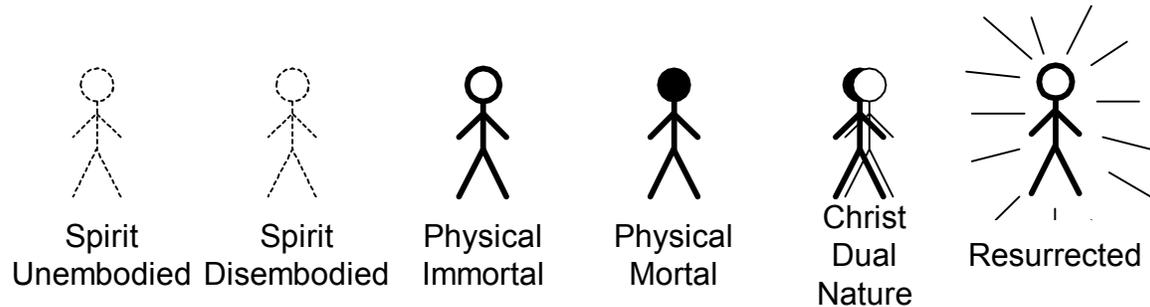


Figure 1 - Types of Beings

Unembodied spirit beings are those who haven't been born physically. Their spirit bodies are in the form of men and women but they haven't been given a physical tabernacle. They are the product of resurrected, exalted parents (gods). Most unembodied spirits will be born on a mortal earth to mortal parents. Approximately one third of the human spirits (children of God) rebelled and will not receive physical bodies. They are damned in their progress. Unembodied spirit beings do not marry and cannot procreate.

- **Disembodied spirit beings** are those who have lived on the earth as mortals and have died. They reside in the spirit world and await the resurrection. These beings cannot procreate in this state.
- **Physical-immortal beings** are begotten by resurrected, exalted parents and have physical bodies which are not mortal but have the capability of falling into that state. These are placed upon a paradisiacal earth (newly created), and are the progenitors of their respective races. Adam and Eve were such beings and precipitated the Fall of themselves, the earth, and all who then resided upon it. Their parents were resurrected, exalted beings, or Gods. After the Fall, they became mortal and their physical bodies eventually died and were buried. Their disembodied spirits then went to reside in the spirit world. Physical-immortal beings cannot procreate until they fall to the mortal state. [Moses 5:11] This is symbolically shown in the wearing of fig leaf aprons by Adam and Eve after their fall. The green aprons covered their reproductive organs. Green is the color of life, and in this case signified the giving of life to those previously impotent systems.
- **Physical-mortal beings** are spirits clothed by physical bodies which will eventually be separated in death. These beings are the offspring of mortal parents, except in the case of Adam and Eve, who fell into mortality from the state of physical-immortality (see above). These beings can procreate and produce mortal children.
- **Physical-mortal-immortal beings (Christ)**, are a special case. They are Saviors. There is only one for our God in this round of creations [D&C 76:23-24] (perhaps all his rounds - I don't know at this time), and he is Christ. Christ had the ability to live and die according to his choice. The ability to die (mortality) came from his mortal mother, Mary. The ability to live forever or take his body up again in the resurrection was inherited from his Father, God. Christ had to have this power to perform his mission to save the Father's creations. His parentage is different from the rest of us, but his path to exaltation follows the same progression of states. His ability to procreate was the same as other mortals, being able to produce mortal children.
- **Resurrected beings** are those who have lived as mortals, died, and are reunited with their physical bodies in an incorruptible state, never to die again. Except for the Sons of Perdition, these receive

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some form of glory at a Telestial, Terrestrial, or Celestial level. [1 Corinthians 15] Those who have learned to lived the law of the highest level of the Celestial Kingdom are exalted and are Gods. These exalted beings are the only ones who can procreate and have the ability to produce spirit children or physical immortal children. They cannot produce fallen, mortal children because of the law of inheritance. A special case also exists where an exalted man can produce a Christ with a mortal woman.

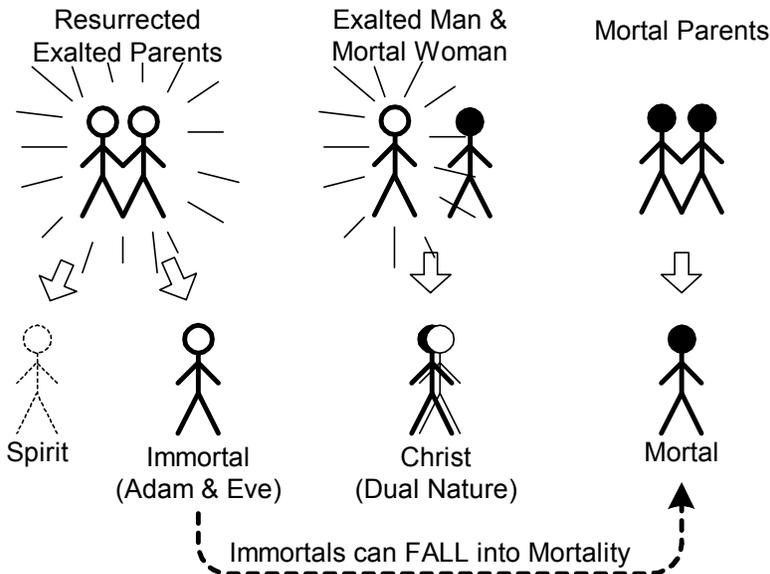


Figure 2 - The Parentage or Origin of Body Types

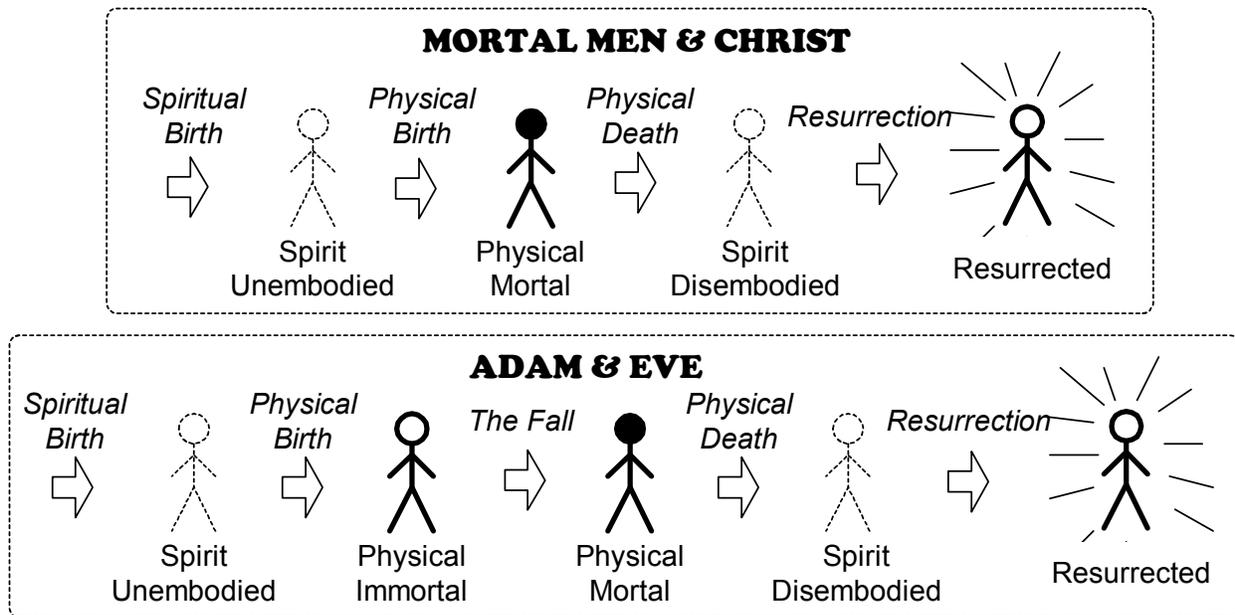


Figure 3 - Progress or Evolution of Human Beings

There are other classes of beings such as those who are translated (e.g., the people of the city of Enoch). These however are special cases of the states already discussed and lie beyond the realm of this article.